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| 12 | MINZHI XIE,  | C 5:24-cv-06151-NC                        |
| 13 | Plaintiff,   |   |
| 14 | V.   | STIPULATION TO STAY PROCEEDINGS;<br>ORDER |
| 15 | DANIELLE LEHMAN, Director of United States Citizenship and Immigration Services                              |   |
| 16 | San Francisco Asylum Office,   |   |
| 17 | Defendant.   |   |
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| 19 | The parties, through their attorneys, hereby stipulate and respectfully request the Court to stay            |   |
| 20 | proceedings in this case for a limited time, until July 1, 2025. The parties make this joint request because |   |
| 21 | they are pursuing an administrative resolution that may render further litigation of this case unnecessary.  |   |
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| 23 | 1. Plaintiff filed this mandamus action seeking adjudication of her Form I-589, Application                  |   |
| 24 | for Asylum and Withholding of Removal. United States Citizenship and Immigration Services                    |   |
| 25 | ("USCIS") scheduled an interview for March 3, 2025. USCIS will work diligently towards completing            |   |
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| 27 | circumstances that would require additional time for adjudication.   |   |
| 28 | 2. Plaintiff agrees to submit all supplemental documents and evidence to USCIS seven to                      |   |
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ten days prior to the agreed upon scheduled interview. Plaintiff recognizes that failure to submit these documents seven to ten days prior to the interview may result in the interview being rescheduled at no fault of USCIS.

- 3. If needed by Plaintiff or her dependent(s), Plaintiff shall bring her own interpreter to her asylum interview. *See* <a href="https://www.uscis.gov/newsroom/alerts/affirmative-asylum-applicants-must-provide-interpreters-starting-sept-13">https://www.uscis.gov/newsroom/alerts/affirmative-asylum-applicants-must-provide-interpreters-starting-sept-13</a>. Plaintiff recognizes that failure to bring an interpreter to her interview may result in the interview being rescheduled at no fault of USCIS.
- 4. Upon receipt of the Asylum Office's decision, Plaintiff agrees to voluntarily dismiss the case.
  - 5. The parties agree to bear their own litigation costs and attorney fees.

Accordingly, the parties stipulate and request that the proceedings in this case be stayed until July 1, 2025, at which time the parties will file a joint status report with the Court. At that time, the parties may request a further continuance of the stay of proceedings, dismissal of the litigation if appropriate, or placement of the case back on the Court's active docket. A stay of proceedings in this case will benefit the parties and conserve the Court's resources while the parties pursue a potential administrative resolution.

Dated: November 12, 2024

Respectfully submitted<sup>1</sup>,

ISMAIL J. RAMSEY United States Attorney

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In accordance with Civil Local Rule 5-1(i)(3), the filer of this document attests that all signatories listed herein concur in the filing of this document.

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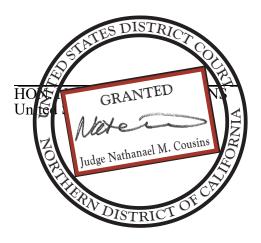
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s/ Minzhi Xie MINZHI XIE Plaintiff (Pro Se)

ORDER

Pursuant to stipulation, IT IS SO ORDERED.

Date: November 12, 2024



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that she is an employee of the Office of the United States

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Attorney for the Northern District of California and is a person of such age and discretion to be competent to serve papers. The undersigned further certifies that on this day she caused a copy of the

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States that the foregoing is true

and correct.

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Date: November 12, 2024

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